

## ANNEX III

**TRANSITIONAL TECHNICAL MEASURES****A. Restrictions on fishing for flounder and turbot**

1. The retention on board of the following species of fish which are caught within the geographical areas and during the periods mentioned below shall be prohibited:

<b>Species</b>	<b>Geographical area</b>	<b>Period</b>
Flounder ( <i>Platichthys flesus</i> )	Subdivisions 26, 27, 28 and 29 south of 59°30'N Subdivision 32	15 February to 15 May 15 February to 31 May
Turbot ( <i>Psetta maxima</i> )	Subdivisions 25, 26 and 28 south of 56°50'N	1 June to 31 July

2. By way of derogation from point 1, when fishing with trawls, Danish seines or similar gears with a mesh size equal to or greater than 105 mm or with gillnets, entangling nets or trammel nets with a mesh size equal to or greater than 100 mm, by-catches of flounder and turbot may be retained on board and landed within a limit of 10 % by live weight of the total catch retained on board and landed during the periods of prohibition referred to in point 1.

**B. Specifications of top window codend BACOMA**

1. By way of derogation from point 1(e)(i) of Appendix 1 to Annex II to Regulation (EC) No 2187/2005, the meshes shall have a minimum mesh opening of 120 mm from 1 January in subdivisions 22-24 and from 1 March in subdivisions 25-32.
2. By way of derogation from point 1(d)(ii) of Appendix 1 to Annex II to Regulation (EC) No 2187/2005, the length of the window shall be at least 5,5 m from 1 January in subdivisions 22-24 and from 1 March in subdivisions 25-32.
3. By way of derogation from point 2 the length of the window shall be at least 6 m, if a sensor dedicated to the measurement of the volume of the catches is attached to the window from 1 January in subdivisions 22-24 and from 1 March in subdivisions 25-32.

**C. Specifications of T90 trawl**

By way of derogation from point (b) of Appendix 2 to Annex II to Regulation (EC) No 2187/2005, the mesh size for meshes shall be at least 120 mm from 1 January in subdivisions 22-24 and from 1 March in subdivisions 25-32.

**Changes to legislation:**

There are currently no known outstanding effects for the Council Regulation (EC) No 1226/2009, ANNEX III.